Chapter 157 amends sections 9, 51, as follows: (I. Supplement, 23.)

- 2. Every clerk except the clerk of the Court of Appeals, the emoluments of whose office shall exceed the sum of two thousand five hundred dollars in any one year, after deducting therefrom the necessary expenses incident to his office for the same period, shall pay the excess to the Treasurer, and the clerk of the Court of Appeals shall pay the excess over the sum of three thousand dollars after making the deductions aforesaid, and every such clerk, the emoluments of whose office shall not amount to the sum of two thousand five hundred dollars in any one year as aforesaid, may present a statement to the County Commissioners of his county, or to the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, as the case may be, under oath, showing the net proceeds of his office, together with a statement of the cost of the necessary record books, stationery and fuel used in his office up to the first Monday in June in each year, and the said county commissioners or the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore are hereby authorized and empowered to pay or levy for the use of said clerk the amount of said books, stationery and fuel as aforesaid; provided, that the amount so paid or levied, shall not, when added to the said net proceeds of his office, exceed the sum of two thousand five hundred dollars.
- 3. The said clerks shall record all deeds, mortgages, bills of sale and other instruments required to be recorded in a well bound book, which book shall contain an alphabetical index in the names of all the parties to such deed, mortgage, bill of sale or other instrument of writing; provided, that they shall not be required to record or receive for recording any deed, mortgage, bill of sale or other instrument of writing, unless the fees for recording the same as regulated by law shall first be paid by the person offering the same for record.

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